

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

February 24, 2015



Oxnard train derailment, Oxnard, Ventura County on 02/24/15.
Photo: Ish Messer, Cal OES Fire



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National Terrorism Advisory System

Current Alerts



Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Train Derailment, Oxnard, Ventura County

- On 02/24/15 at 0620 hours the California State Warning Center received a report from Union Pacific Railroad advising that a Metrolink passenger train struck a vehicle on the track and two passenger cars derailed on their sides in Oxnard, Ventura County at SR 34 (5th St.) x at South Rice Ave. Spill: 15-1089.
- Per CHP, ENTAC, there is a hard road closure in place at: SR 34 (5th St.) x at South Rice Ave. Oxnard PD to handle and CHP at scene assisting.
- Per the Cal OES Fire Duty Officer, as of 0730 hours all incoming ambulances were released. Per Cal OES Fire Chief at scene, there are 0 fatalities and 29 injuries (all transported). There are 22 non-injured passengers at scene awaiting bus transport. All passengers are off the train. The Cal OES Fire Chief will remain at scene to brief Law and Southern Region personnel.
- AMR Ambulances' northern regional ambulance coordinator, the Fire Operational Area Coordinator (FOAC) LA County Fire ambulance liaison, and the Los Angeles County EMS administrator on duty / RDMHC designee, the California Department of Public Health Duty Officer (CDPH DO), and the Emergency Medical Services Authority Duty Officer (EMSA DO) have been briefed.
- CPUC rail safety has been advised and staff responded to scene. NTSB responded to scene.
- Per Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), the train accident resulted in a release of 1,500 gallons of diesel fuel from the farm vehicle that was struck, the material possibly partially combusted and may have entered a waterway. The Fire Department is handling containment. UPRR will be clearing and repairing the tracks as soon as possible for passenger and freight traffic to resume normal operations.
- Personnel from the Department of Fish and Wildlife, including members of the OSPR Field Response Teams are being contacted and deployed as necessary to assess, contain and manage this incident.
- No evacuations were issued, and no shelters were opened.
- There are no requests for State Assistance.

Weather of Concern

No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Northwest California can expect mostly clear skies with temperatures at or slightly above normal through the middle of the week. A storm system will bring showers and lowering snow levels Friday into Saturday.

Medford Weather:

An area of high pressure originating from the Arctic will continue to bring widespread cold temperatures to Southern Oregon and Northern California into this morning. Although temperatures will be only a few degrees below normal, the extended period of warmth which has preceded this pattern may make the difference a bit more evident.

Reno Weather:

After a cold start this morning, temperatures will begin to moderate and even return to above normal by Wednesday. A fast moving dry cold front will pass through the Sierra and northwest Nevada Wednesday night, with little impact to the region. A developing storm system in the northeast Pacific could bring precipitation to the region by the end of the week and start of the weekend.

San Francisco Weather:

Dry weather and mild temperatures will persist through midweek as high pressure remains off of the west coast. A storm system will then bring rain chances and cooler temperatures back to the region Friday into Saturday.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Dry and warmer weather mid-week, then a pattern change by the end of the week, bringing cooler and wetter weather Friday into the weekend. There is the potential for snow impacting travel in the mountains above 4000 feet.

Hanford Weather:

A dry northwesterly flow aloft will reside over central California through Thursday with seasonable temperatures. A storm originating in western Canada will track southward and bring a return of wet weather to the district Friday into the weekend.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

High pressure will bring a warming trend under mostly clear skies through Thursday. Cooler and cloudier on Friday. A weak low pressure system will bring clouds and a chance of rain to the area over the weekend..

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

Dry and warmer today but with gusty north winds in parts of San Bernardino. Riverside and Orange counties. Warmer with lighter winds Wednesday and Thursday. Another storm will bring a chance of rain and mountain snow along with gusty west winds this weekend.

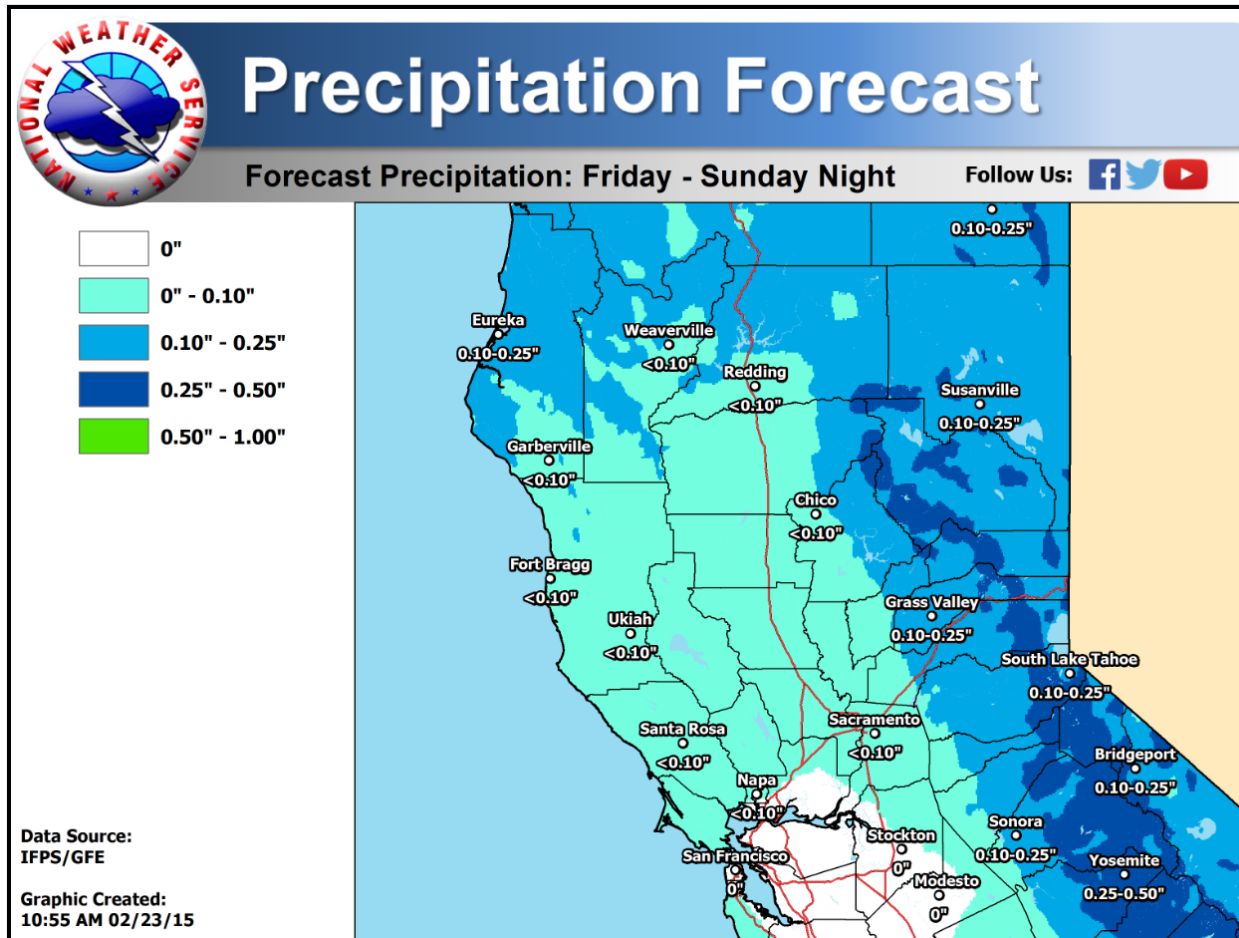
Southeast California Weather:

Another round of isolated to scattered showers will be possible across portions of south-central Arizona while strong northerly winds and drier air work into southeast California and Colorado River valley on the backside of the low. Dry weather with a subtle warming trend will take us through the rest of the work week. Another chance at precipitation and cooler temperatures is forecast for the coming weekend as another large pacific storm develops into the west.



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Breezy winds decreased last night allowing temperatures around freezing temperatures and frost to develop in portions of the Valley and lower foothills. Milder low temperatures expected for mid week, with dry weather. A wet and cold system will begin spreading into the area Thursday night, with precipitation becoming widespread on Friday. Snow levels will start around 5500 feet, then lower Saturday into Sunday. Moderate accumulations snow may impact weekend travel in the mountains. Generally light rainfall amounts expected for the Valley, though locally heavy rain is possible with thunderstorms.

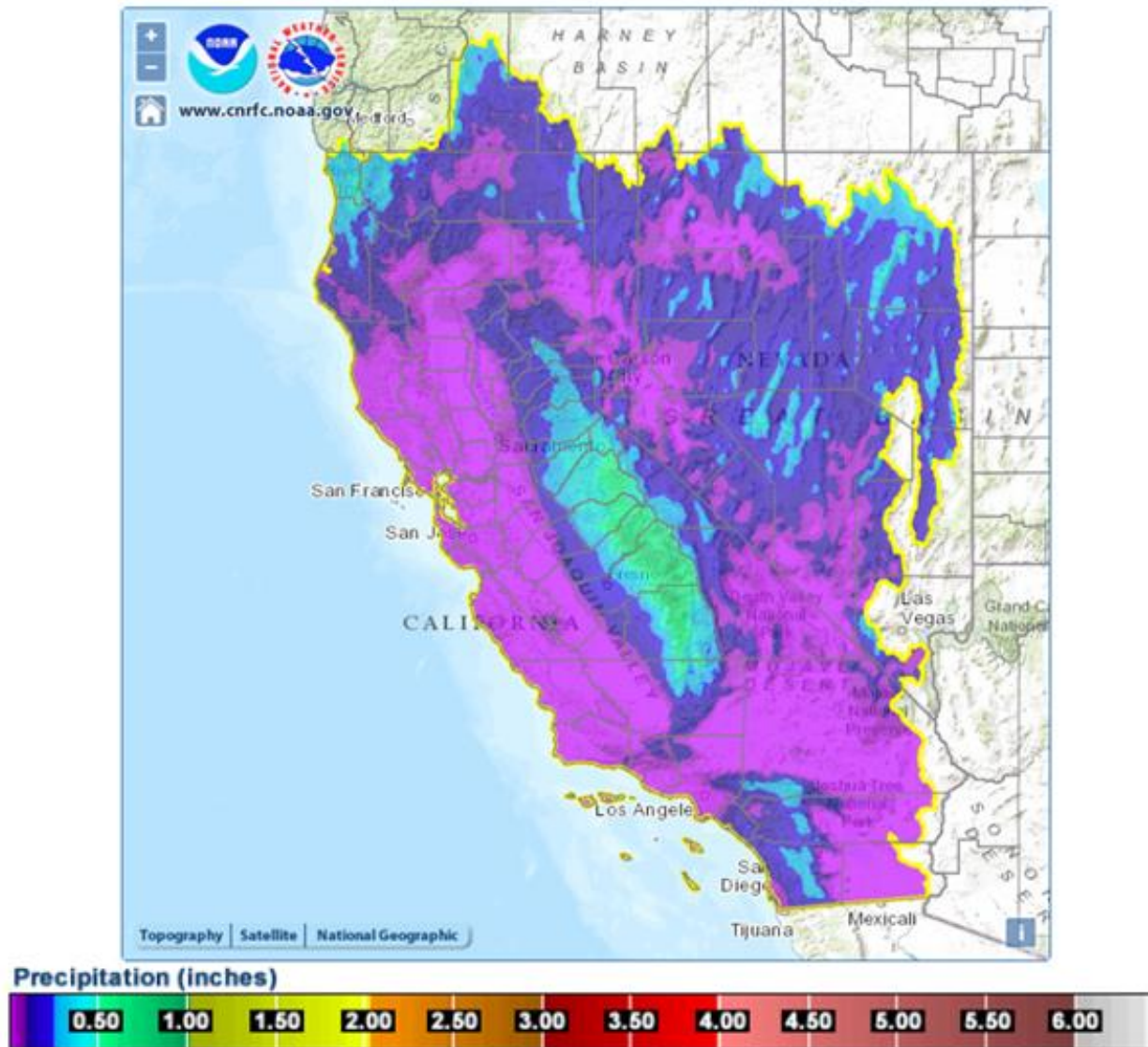


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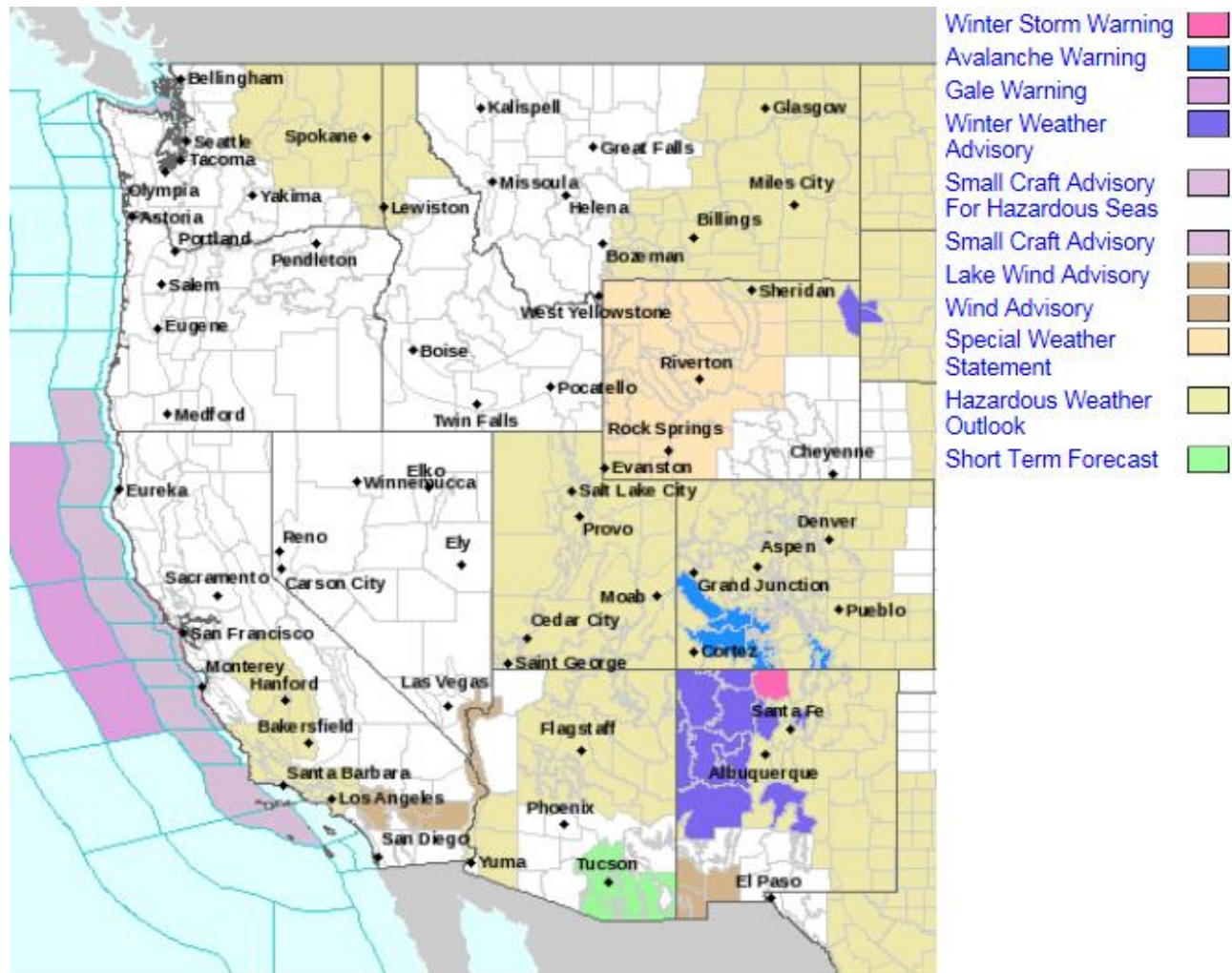
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The forecast for the next 5 days shows much needed precipitation statewide. The central and southern Sierra Nevada will benefit from the precipitation as temperatures will be cold enough for snow down to 4000 feet.

Precipitation Forecast Valid Mon 4 A.M. PST (02/23/15) - Sat 4 A.M. PST (02/28/15)



STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Feb, 24th 2015 at 10:53:00 am MST

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Recovery Individual Assistance continues to work with Mono County on the Initial Damage Estimate.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.

Mission Tasking

- **2015-SREOC-8732** – Two small communities in southern Mono County, Paradise and Swall Meadows, experienced a serious wildfire beginning Friday February 6th. Approximately 40 residences were destroyed in the Round Fire. Residents have been allowed back into the area and need technical assistance in safely disposing of potentially toxic materials on their properties. DTSC has accepted this mission. **Mission Ongoing**

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning 02/09/15.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.